

IM 169

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, B/LA
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Chief, B/FE
Chief, B/WE
Chief, B/No

SUBJECT: Basic Security Resources Assumptions

REFERENCES: A. NSRB Project, Sheet 10, para. 3 g (2)
B. IM-144, dated 12 April 1949

1. The Enclosure identifies the countries and products of specific interest with respect to the estimate required in Reference A.

2. It is requested that the addressees prepare an estimate of the capabilities of Communist and other elements in the countries indicated in the Enclosure to interfere significantly with the production and movement of the listed commodities. Details as to the extent and duration of obstruction are desired where available.

3. While no deadline has been set in the NSRB request for this estimate, it is understood that this study is preliminary and should be completed by 15 May. It should therefore represent the best available information in CIA, supplemented by working level coordination with the IAC agencies. SO support would be valuable but returns on collection requests should not be awaited in preparing this preliminary report.

4. Reference B is drawn to your attention as providing the context within which specific estimates may be made. Repetition of information contained in IM-144 is not desired.

5. Draft reports should be forwarded to G/SI, as completed.

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